

**NONPROVISIONAL PATENT  
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL RULE §1.53(b)  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): ELIMINATION PROCESS OF FLUORINATED ANIONIC SURFACTANTS

By (Inventors): Stefano FERRERO and Evasio DEREGIBUS

- XX 27 pages of Specification/Claims 1-12/Abstract are attached.  
XX Formal drawings (Fig(s). 1: 1 sheet(s)) is/are attached.  
XX A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.  
XX An assignment of the invention to SOLVAY SOLEXIS S.p.A. is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.  
XX A Preliminary Amendment is attached.  
XX Priority of foreign application No. MI2002 A 001581 filed July 18, 2002 in Italy is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.  
XX A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached along with an English translation.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

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INDEP CLAIMS	1 - 3	= 0
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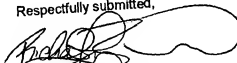
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**LARGE ENTITY**

RATE	FEE
	\$ 750
x 18	\$
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+280	\$
TOTAL	\$ 750

- XX A check in the amount of \$790 (\$750 for the filing fee and \$40 for the Assignment Recordation Fee) is attached. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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